GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have imposed ban on Indian Workers for going to Kuwait;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the time by which this ban is likely to be lifted; and

(d) the terms and conditions of the MoU signed between Government of India and Government of Kuwait?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) to (d) : The ban on deployment of housemaids and male domestics in Kuwait was imposed by the Government inview of the complaints relating to harassment, non-payment/delayed payment of wages etc. the ban on deployment of male domestics has since been lifted. The question of lifting the ban or otherwise on deployment of housemaids in Kuwait can be considered only after Government is assured that such deployment would be as per the terms and conditions of employment. No MoU has been signed between the Government of India and Government of Kuwait in the matter.